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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: REPORTED GRENADE ATTACK ON SWA BORDER

APRIL 15 LOCAL PRESS CARRIES REPORT THAT ONE SOUTH AFRICAN SOLDIER AND TWO TRACKERS EMPLOYED BY DEFENSE FORCE WERE KILLED APRIL 13 ON SWA SIDE OF NAMIBIA-ANGOLA BORDER. THEIR VEHICLE WAS HIT BY GRENADE OR ROCKET REPORTEDLY FIRED FROM ANGOLA. DEFENSE FORCE STATEMENT LAID BLAME FOR ATTACK ON "SWAPO TERRORISTS". PROBABLY REFLECTING MILITARY'S THINKING, CAPE TIMES STATED THAT IT IS CONSIDERED HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT MPLA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ATTACK BECAUSE OF RECENT AGREEMENT REACHED TO RESPECT BORDER. EXACT LOCATION OF INCIDENT NOT MADE KNOWN BUT PRESS REPORT STATES THAT IT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE EAST OF OSHIKANGO. THIS IS FIRST INCIDENT IN WHICH INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN KILLED FROM WEAPONS FIRED ACROSS BORDER.

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